



Our Leaders

NEA members nationwide set Association policy, most notably through an annual Representative Assembly (RA) that convenes an Annual Meeting every July. NEA members at the state and local level elect the more than 9,000 RA delegates who, in turn, elect NEA's top officers, debate issues, and set NEA policy. Between Annual Meetings, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee are NEA's top decision-making bodies.



[President](#)

Dennis Van Roekel, a 23-year teaching veteran and longtime activist and advocate for children and public education, is president of the 3.2 million-member National Education Association.



[Vice President](#)

Lily Eskelsen, an elementary teacher from Utah, is vice president of the National Education Association. She is one of the highest-ranking labor leaders in the country and one of its most influential Hispanic educators.



[Secretary-Treasurer](#)

Rebecca S. "Becky" Pringle, a physical science teacher, was elected secretary-treasurer of the National Education Association in July 2008. She previously served as a member of NEA's Executive Committee from 2001 to 2007.



[Executive Director](#)

John C. Stocks, a national leader in the fight to transform America's public schools, became the executive director of the National Education Association on September 1, 2011.

[Executive Committee](#)

The nine-member Executive Committee is comprised of our three executive officers and six members elected at large by delegates to the Representative Assembly.

[Board of Directors](#)

Our Board of Directors includes at least one director from each state affiliate, as well as representatives from both the Retired and Student members of our Association.